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'Terms Of Hate' By Birch Leader Denied

To the Editor:

The letter by Mr. Barbour which appeared in letters to the editor March 19, in which he devoted considerable effort to discredit the John Birch Society, Belmont 78, Massachusetts, by labeling this group as a "hate" group is typical of the smear campaign being waged against this organization and all patriotic Americans who are aware of our past losses and continued losses to the Communists.

The "tricks" the Communists and their left-wing "dupes" use to discredit any and all anti-Communist activity is best described in J. Edgar Hoover's book, "Masters of Deceit." They are masters of the use and play of words; such as "hate," "extremism" and "peace." Naturally, anything which is in opposition to them and their plans of subversion is labeled by them and their dupes as "hate" or "extremism."

Their idea of "peace" is no opposition to them and their plans of world-wide conquest. An uninformed dupe in an "ivory tower" is more use and more value to them than a host of card-carrying members. Indeed, they rely on such uninformed individuals to lend a certain "respectability" to their cause. It would seem, however, that most Americans have a deep suspicion of these ivory tower eggheads. They comprise a group especially evident among left-wing newspaper columnists,

Bad news is not welcome news. Many of these persons who are truly "dupes" would rather hear no evil and see no evil than face up to the facts of life; the fact of life that the Communists are winning this struggle and have been winning it since the end of the last world war. Just look at the record. Ignorance of communism is the Communist's greatest asset. The first rule of warfare (and we are in a war) is to know your enemy: whether he employs conventional methods, economics, propaganda, subversion, guerrilla warfare, psychological warfare or any other form.

Sure, practically every one of us is opposed to communism. But being opposed to communism is not enough unless all of us recognize the modes and methods the Communists use and are using to infiltrate our country. While ivory tower spokesmen are assuring us everything is rosy we continue to lose to the Communists. Probably there are still large numbers of people who believe "it can't happen here." Most of us, however, are probably aware that it can, and only we can prevent it. I would, again, like to suggest J. Edgar Hoover's book, "Masters of Deceit" for an excellent guide to the methods of communism. Recent news events again disclose the presence of spies in our government, the CIA and the State Department. When we never learn? How much time do we have to continue to learn?

Mr. Barbour ascribes a "hate" label to the John Birch Society, and states it is "extremism" to preach the combatting of communism according to the terms of "hate" to which he says the JBS adheres. His statement is a complete falsity; the John Birch Society does not adhere to "hate." He uses a play of words which means absolutely nothing, but by association attempts to label a good and patriotically dedicated organization as evil.

This is the very technique used by the Communists over and over again. They believe by saying a thing over and over again enough times it becomes truth to them. Mr. Barbour claims to have read the "Blue Book" by the society's founder, Mr. Welch. Yet, in the "Blue Book" there are no "terms of hate" to be found. This is probably one of the best books dealing with the basic reason for life in ethics, Christian principles, brotherhood and moral behavior. One can only reason that Mr. Barbour did not read the book, or is beyond help.

In addition to the individuals occasionally writing to the editor.

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